



## SENATE BILL No. 469

DIGEST OF SB 469 (Updated February 5, 2015 2:34 pm - DI 101)

Citations Affected: Noncode.

Synopsis: Rural broadband. Urges the legislative council (council) to assign to the interim study committee on energy, utilities, and telecommunications (committee) the topic of the provision of affordable broadband services in unserved areas in Indiana. Provides that if the topic is assigned to the committee, the committee shall: (1) consider specific strategies to encourage the provision of affordable broadband services in unserved areas in Indiana; and (2) issue a final report, including any recommendations for legislation, to the council not later than November 1, 2015.

Effective: July 1, 2015.

# Houchin, Head, Leising, Raatz

January 14, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Commerce & Technology. February 2, 2015, reported favorably — Do Pass. February 5, 2015, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.



First Regular Session 119th General Assembly (2015)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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### SENATE BILL No. 469

A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning utilities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015] (a) As used in this
SECTION, "legislative council" refers to the legislative council
established by IC 2-5-1.1-1.
(b) As used in this SECTION !!sommittee!! wefore to the interim

- (b) As used in this SECTION, "committee" refers to the interim study committee on energy, utilities, and telecommunications established by IC 2-5-1.3-4(8).
- (c) The legislative council is urged to assign to the committee during the 2015 legislative interim the topic of the provision of affordable broadband services in unserved areas in Indiana.
- (d) If the topic described in subsection (c) is assigned to the committee, the committee shall consider, as part of its study, specific strategies to encourage the provision of affordable broadband services in unserved areas in Indiana.
- (e) If the topic described in subsection (c) is assigned to the committee, the committee shall issue a final report to the legislative council containing the committee's findings and recommendations, including any recommended legislation concerning the topic



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1	described in subsection (c) or the specific strategies described in
2	subsection (d), in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 not later
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than November 1, 2015.
(f) This SECTION expires December 31, 2015.



### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Commerce & Technology, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 469, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is to SB 469 as introduced.)

BUCK, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0

#### SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 469 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, line 9, delete "underserved rural" and insert "unserved".

Page 1, line 13, delete "do the following to".

Page 1, line 14, delete "underserved areas, as" and insert "**unserved** areas in Indiana.".

Page 1, delete lines 15 through 17.

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 24.

(Reference is to SB 469 as printed February 3, 2015.)

**HOUCHIN** 

